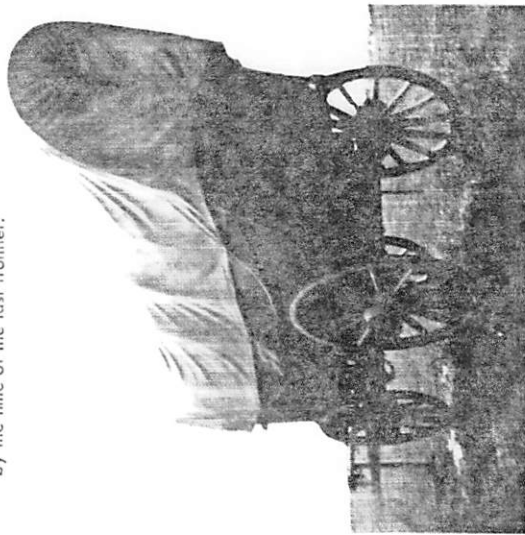


Early Settlers in the Far West crossed the plains to Oregon or California. Their high Conestoga wagons had already become museum pieces by the time of the last frontier.



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A Stagecoach Roars Across the Desert with Indian attackers in close pursuit. In *Downing the Nigh Leader*, Frederic Remington caught the drama and excitement that symbolize "the Wild West" to people throughout the world.

